

FROM BEAUMONT

Commissioners Concluded the February Term

OF DISTRICT COURT TOO EXPENSIVE

may increase in the number. Market Firm, with a Good Demand.

Beaumont, Texas, February 13.—February term of the county commissioners court closed this afternoon. The business transacted today is as follows:

It was ordered that the indigent sick be placed at the Hotel Dieu hospital at the rate of \$1 per week, board and medical attention, and that the hospital take no pauper's expense except on order of the county judge.

County Judge O'Brien objected to the appointment of the following officers were appointed.

Way for a public road granted to the Lewis and the Beaumont Improvement company was accepted.

E. R. Shaw was awarded the contract for hauling paupers. The price is \$5, as set off per pauper heretofore.

TOO EXPENSIVE.

The demand by Jefferson county for the terms of the district court to investigate the expense of the court and as a result the commissioners, by a unanimous vote, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the commissioners court of Jefferson county after a careful and thorough investigation of the financial condition of said county, and the cost of maintaining the district court for the November term 1898, view with alarm the additional expenses that will accrue to said county by the passage of the act as amended by the bar of this county, viz: In increasing the length of time for which the court may be held in this county, and that this court request our honorable representatives to use all honorable means to defeat the passage of said act.

Further, that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to each of our representatives and our senator at Austin.

Commissioner Jack Ward of Beaumont seconded the resolution. He says Jefferson county does not need more terms of court, but that it needs a court which will do business while it is in session.

DR. CALHOUN APPOINTED.

A dispatch from Austin published in the morning's Post announces that Dr. B. Calhoun of this city has been appointed to the office of Sabine Pass. The appointment was made by State Health Officer yesterday. It was not generally known that Dr. Calhoun was an applicant for the Sabine Pass station and the announcement of his appointment therefore was a surprise, but it will nevertheless be welcomed by all parties interested.

Dr. Calhoun is especially qualified for the duties of quarantine officer. He is a man of marked individuality, fearless, and is one of the most capable physicians in Southeast Texas and is an energetic, tireless worker. For nearly two years he has served this city as health officer, and so complete was the confidence placed in his acts were never questioned, nor was there the slightest uneasiness felt during the Louisiana yellow fever epidemic last year. With Dr. Calhoun as quarantine officer Sabine Pass will be effectively guarded. The appointment is a good one.

LUMBER MARKET.

Lumber manufacturers, like others, suffered as a result of the extremely cold weather the early part of the week. The demand closed down the mills in this city and at other points in the yellow fever district, and many did not resume until Thursday.

See bills remain plentiful and there are numerous inquiries for export material, several large cases having been loaded during the past few days, while the rest are out for others. Prices remain firm, as advance being demanded and observed as schedules for special bills.

There is little or no change in the staple market. High water has enabled the lumbermen to get out large quantities of cypress and the stock will doubtless be largely increased in the near future.

MUST BUILD THE ROAD.

The county commissioners today passed an order requiring the Port Arthur Land company to comply with its contract to build a public road from Taylor's bayou to Sabine Pass. Right of way of the public road between Sabine Pass and Taylor's bayou. The county in August, 1897, relinquished its claims to the county road, and the Port Arthur Land company would build a new one. Commissioner H. P. Best of Port Arthur appointed a committee to see that the Port Arthur company carried out its part of the agreement.

SUDDEN DEATH.

W. J. Webb, one of the old and most influential citizens of the county, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. B. Daniel, in this city at 10 o'clock this morning. The judge was stricken suddenly. He was standing up bathing his face and hands when he suddenly sank to the floor and expired in a few minutes. His death is attributed to heart failure.

Webb was born in North Carolina and was 65 years of age. Three sons and two daughters—Mrs. C. B. Daniel and Mrs. J. D. McCall—survive him. He was buried at Magnolia cemetery this morning, the funeral taking place from the Methodist church at 10 o'clock.

DIED IN SAN ANTONIO.

George O'Brien today received a telegram announcing that W. J. Owens had died at an early hour at his home in San Antonio this morning and that his remains would be interred at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The deceased was formerly a resident of Beaumont. He has a sister—Mrs. George O'Brien Millard and a son—living in this city. His death will be mourned by his relatives and brings sadness to his many friends.

LOCAL NOTES.

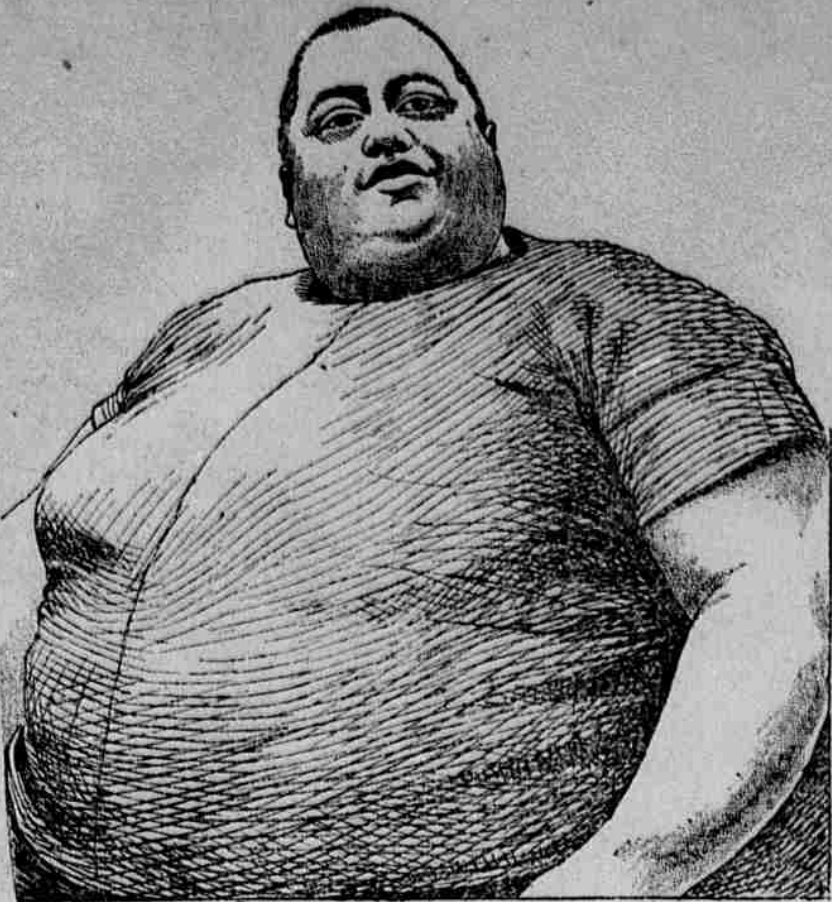
Work has been resumed and is being vigorously pushed on St. Mark's new church building.

A heavy hail storm was reported two miles north of Beaumont at 10 o'clock last night. No great damage was done.

owing to the inclement weather St. Mark's choir boys were not presented with their beautiful brass processional cross on Sunday. The presentation will take place tomorrow at 11 o'clock a. m.

Railroads Released Coal.

Beaumont, Texas, February 17.—The coal famine in these parts is a



WAS THE HEAVIEST K. OF P. IN THE WORLD.

The above is a picture of Fred Howe, mentioned of whose recent death at his home in Kentucky was made in yesterday's Post. Fred Howe was born at Denton, Texas, in 1873. He was in Houston some time ago on exhibition, being a curiosity, owing to his phenomenal size, weighing, as he did, 712 pounds. He was a Knight of Pythias, belonging to Crescent lodge 208, Jaquestown, N. Y., and claimed to be the heaviest knight in the world. He measured eighty-four inches around the waist, seventy-two around the chest, twenty-four around the calf of the leg, twenty-seven around the arm, was five feet four inches high, wore a No. 8 shoe and No. 8 glove, a 19½ collar and a 7½ hat. He was very congenial in his disposition and made quite a number of friends while in Houston, all of whom will regret to hear of his death.

thing of the past. Today several carloads of coal, which had been shipped to Sherman dealers prior to the strike in the Indian Territory and which had been held by the railroads for confiscation should the occasion present itself, arrived today. The local dealers at once announced to the extreme satisfaction of consumers that the supply was quite abundant for immediate demands.

S. A. AND A. P. ASSOCIATION.

Regular Session Was Held at Corpus Christi.

Corpus Christi, Texas, February 13.—Pursuant to call, published some time since, the Immigration association of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass railway convened in this city yesterday morning at 10 o'clock at the office of Mr. E. B. Cole, a member of the association from Corpus Christi. The following members were present: Chas. Peterson, T. J. Skaggs, Chas. Peterson, Jr., Rock Island; C. S. Penfield, Houston; M. O. G. Ranney, Yoakum; Cyrus Thompson, Lockhart; C. I. Swan, O. M. Peterson, Erick Gunderson, Normanna; L. Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. Stanfer, Beeville, and E. B. Cole, Corpus Christi.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chas. Peterson of Rock Island, with Mr. M. G. Ranney of Yoakum as secretary. The only business transacted at this session was to hear the report of the executive committee, having under consideration the devising of ways and means, and the selection of a place to hold a Southwest Texas Midwinter fair. The committee was given further time to serve of the various courses offered various appropriate toasts.

After the banquet the members enjoyed themselves in various ways, many of them strolling about, viewing the sights. The meeting was called to order promptly at 8 o'clock.

The address of welcome was delivered in a most eloquent manner by Mr. M. T. Gaffney of this city and responded to in like manner by Colonel Cyrus Thompson.

Chairman Peterson then addressed the meeting, telling of the assemblage of great resources and natural advantages of this coast country and in his opinion the citizens of this city should use their utmost efforts to secure the proposed midwinter fair, which is to be located at some winter fair, which is to be located at some point on the line of the Aransas Pass road, and that for his part he favored Corpus Christi, because of its beautiful location, but concluded by asking which would put up the necessary financial aid to secure the valuable enterprise.

Messrs. A. B. Penfield of Houston and M. G. Ranney of Yoakum followed in addresses in favor of securing the fair and the grandest advertisements, besides that at the Omaha exposition that could be had to demonstrate to the world what Southwest Texas could do in the way of farming.

O. M. Peterson of Normanna then stated that the object of holding this fair was to display the products that grow so abundantly in this coast country, as well as to aid the citizens of the Aransas Pass along the road. He said such a fair would do a world of good in getting farmers to come here and settle and develop the land, as well as cause a wave of prosperity to sweep over the entire Southwest Texas. He said that the definite amount necessary to secure this fair had not been announced, but he hoped that Corpus Christi would do the best thing towards securing this great advertising enterprise.

Short addresses were made by Messrs. Mayer Lovenshoel, Grass, Tucker, Cohn, Ranney and Swan, all speaking in favor of Corpus Christi doing her part to secure the Southwest Texas Midwinter fair.

After extending a vote of thanks to the citizens of Corpus Christi for their hospitality and generous treatment to the members of the association, the meeting adjourned subject to call of chairman.

A New Trial Granted Coleman.

Sherman, Texas, February 18.—Robert Coleman, the Sherman capitalist who was recently convicted by a jury and given five years in the State penitentiary for alleged false swearing in rendering his property for taxation, was today granted

a new trial on the ground that the jury that found him guilty had discovered the fact that he did not testify in behalf of himself. Judge Bliss ruled that fact invalidated the verdict.

Died from Effect of Burns.

San Angelo, Texas, February 17.—A young child of Mr. Tiefenthaler, which was badly burned several weeks ago, died today of its injuries.

Paris, Texas, February 18.—A 2-year-old child of Charley Nongio, a farmer east of Paris, died today from burns received yesterday.

Pensions for Texans.

Issue of February 2: Original—John Barber, Dallas, 87; Isaac M. Hammett, Austin, 76; Thomas A. Rusk, 72. Original widows, etc.—Mary Thompson, San Antonio, 56. Mexican war widow—Sarah M. Dale, Springtown, 83.

Issue of February 3: Original—William F. Huntington, Fort Worth, 56. Increase—Henry M. Westers, Galveston, 59 to \$17.

Assignment at Bryan.

Bryan, Texas, February 18.—M. Wilson, dealer in groceries, made an assignment here this afternoon by the terms of which creditors will share alike in the settlement of his claims. Liabilities estimated at \$13,200, assets \$14,700. R. W. Odum is assignee.

Mastyn Brack Buried.

Hearne, Texas, February 18.—The remains of Mastyn Brack, who was killed yesterday evening by City Marshal Griffin while discharging his duty, were laid to rest at 10:30 this morning.

Died from Effects of Cold.

Ennis, Texas, February 18.—Bob Renfro, the man who was so badly frozen during the recent cold spell here, died last night of pneumonia and was buried in Myrtle cemetery this afternoon.

Petition in Bankruptcy.

Paris, Texas, February 18.—W. K. Long for several years in the cotton business here filed a petition in bankruptcy today; liabilities \$5725; assets, a homestead valued at \$7500 and personal property valued at \$775.

Residence Near Caddo Mills.

Greenville, Texas, February 18.—The residence of W. B. Wall, living three miles south of Caddo Mills, was destroyed by fire Thursday night. Loss about \$700; no insurance.

A PLAGUE OF THE NIGHT.

ITCHING PILES AND OTHER RECTAL TROUBLES EASILY CURED BY A NEW AND SAFE METHOD.

A Remarkable Number of Cures Made by the Pyramid Pile Cure.

About one person in every four suffers from some form of rectal disease. The most common and annoying is itching piles, indicated by warmth, slight moisture and intense, uncontrollable itching in the parts affected.

The usual treatment has been some simple ointment or salve which sometimes give temporary relief, but nothing like a permanent cure can be expected from such superficial treatment.

The only permanent cure for itching piles yet discovered is the Pyramid Pile Cure, not only for itching piles, but for every other form of piles, blind, bleeding or protruding. The first application gives instant relief and the continued use for a short time causes a permanent removal of the tumors or the small parasites which cause the intense itching and discomfort of itching piles.

Many physicians for a long time supposed that the remarkable relief afforded by the Pyramid Pile Cure was because it was supposed to contain cocaine, opium or similar drugs, but such is not the case. A recent careful analysis of the remedy showed it to be absolutely free from any cocaine, opium, or, in fact, any poisonous, injurious drugs whatever.

For this reason the Pyramid Pile Cure is probably the only pile cure extensively recommended by physicians, because it is so safe, so prompt in the relief afforded and so far as known the only positive cure for piles except a surgical operation.

In one year the Pyramid Pile Cure has become the best known, the safest and the most extensively sold of any pile cure before the public.

Nearly all druggists now sell it at 50 cents and \$1 per package.

Address the Pyramid Co., Marshall, Mich., for book on cause and cures of piles and also hundreds of testimonials from all parts of the United States.

If suffering from any form of piles ask your druggist for a package of Pyramid Pile Cure and try it tonight.

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Kiam's

Men's Shoes.

New Achievements—New Mercantile Victories. These spring shoe styles will be copied—the fashion pace set here must be followed by every other dealer.



Penny Shoes, latest leather, (Tan Box-Calf) Nickle hooks and eye-lets, extension and full swing on outer edge of sole prevents shoe from getting out of shape. Built on anatomical plan. 3.50

Manhattan Shoe, Foederer's strongest and best wearing Black Vici Kid perfect fitting 3.50



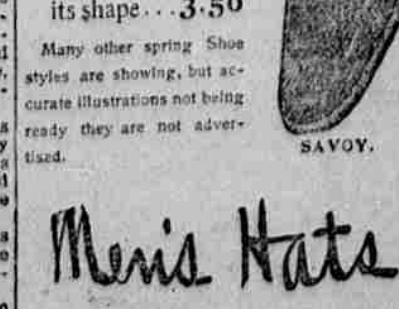
ASTORIA SHOE, Light Brown Vici Kid, Fancy Worsted Topping, single sole, Epler Welt 3.50



SAVOY SHOES, Black Vici Kid, Plain Beaver Topping, thin sole, dressy for young men, nice for informal evening wear; last that fits nicely and holds its shape. 3.50



LENOX SHOE, Black Vici Kid, Fine Worsted Topping, light sole, non-squeaking 3.50



SAVOY SHOES, Black Vici Kid, Plain Beaver Topping, thin sole, dressy for young men, nice for informal evening wear; last that fits nicely and holds its shape. 3.50

Men's Hats.

young men and young women 1.00

CRUSH HATS, very fine quality, Pearl gray with black band, light peach brown, dark brown and black 1.50

SMALL-SHAPE ALPINE HAT cream-white with black band, novelty for either lady or gentleman 1.50



Kiam's Spring Regent Alpine Hat. Black or Cedar with raw edges; Pearl gray with black band, silk bound; Golden brown and cedar with black band, silk bound. 2.00



Kiam's Spring "Regent" Derby Hat. Very fine lustrous, Dark Blue Black, new "Cavour" or Light tan, made of real fur stock, the handsomest Hats ever offered at the price \$2.00

HARDY BRAND HATS, in every desirable new fashion and every staple style. Spring weights and colors. 3.00



Men's Furnishings. A burst of shirt-beauty as plentiful as summer sunshine. This has ever been shirt headquarters—it will always be.



At Negligee Shirts, 50c with collar and cuffs attached, colors are light and medium-light—big 50c cents worth of shirt.

"EAGLE" SHIRTS. Negligee style. Collar and cuffs attached. Reinforced, non-shrinking neckband. Extra quality of Oxford cloth 1.00

EAGLE SHIRTS. Negligee, collar and cuffs attached. Fine Madras in beautiful new patterns 1.50

COLORED SHIRTS (stiff bosom), cuffs to match. Balance of this assortment in, red, and the only styles they sold at \$1 each. 50c

Spring Dress-Up Shirts. Zephyr cloth, Madras, Oxford plain and corded, splendid patterns. Shirts have colored bodies and white neckband. Pair of detached cuffs with each. 1.00

Shirts Made to Measure. We guarantee lowest prices consistent with Perfect Goods and Perfect Make.

Men's Underwear

5000 Pairs

Scriven's

Patent

Elastic

Seam

Drawers,

in all regular sizes, 30 to 44 waist measure, 50c

Winter-Weight Underwear.

Why not capture some of the big savings that may be made by taking opportunities when they are offered?

SHIRTS OR DRAWERS. Heavy royal ribbed Cotton, fleece lined, silk faced, usually 50c a garment, now 38c

Half Hosiery

A landslide of Socks. Manufacturer considered money better than unsold socks. Our buyer says they're "cheap," which means that a sale extraordinary will begin. Let us see!

SOCKS. Plaid and striped. Maco cotton, seamless, full fashioned, fine—retail value 50c and 55c. Sale Price, 10c

SOCKS. Bright plaid and striped Maco cotton and Lisle thread, many neat dark patterns. Sale Price, 34c

SOCKS. Extra quality fine, black cotton, lisle thread, many neat dark patterns. Sale Price, 25c

Men's Neckwear.

Special. "Special" means something extraordinary, something unusual.

Fine Silk 4-in-Hand Ties.

Staple Silks, in dark colors, white or cream silks with colored figures, hundreds to choose from, reduced price 20c 3 for 50c

MEN'S CLUB TIES, narrow width (may be worn by ladies) all new spring patterns. 25c

MEN'S HAND BOWS, black and dark blue, with white or red dots, light silks with dark figures, each 25c

Men's Clothing.

Last, Last

Opportunity.

Men's Suits.

Balance of \$10 Suits will go this week at the Sale Price that made the past week a Record Breaker.

Handsome Cassimere Suits, splendid Scotch Cheviot Suits, real Irish Tweed Suits, every one worth \$10, 5.95.

Better than buying at auction, better than buying at doubtful cost—your own eyes are the judge—common sense tells you the goods are less than cost.

At 9.75

Business Suits, the brothers of some that now grace the backs of many of Houston's best business men. Formerly \$15.00, and cheap enough at that figure.

Suits (wool-back Worsted) 6-71

Suits (hairline Cassimere) 6-71

Suits (plaid-back Worsted) 6-71

Suits (real Scotch Cheviots) 6-71

Last of Overcoats.

Take your choice. Don't waste a minute getting here. The grandest values ever offered to mortal man are waiting for you.

Dark Blue "Buckskin" Kersey Coats, \$15, now 9.75.

Black "Buckskin" Kersey Coats, \$15, now 9.75.

Pants Sale.

Compare Regular and Reduced Prices.

Beginning Monday morning with 2000 pairs Men's Fine Pants in Spring weights and patterns, colors light and medium light, outdoing every former attempt at low pricing by making these 1.50 A PAIR.

Children's Clothing.

Enormous Clearance Sale at

Prices Tremendously Reduced.

Owing to the broken size conditions existing in Boys' Clothing stock advertising can not be properly arranged to give you an adequate idea of the Great Bargain Opportunities.

Knee Pants Suits.

Big Lot, sizes 16, 15, 13, 10, \$5.00, reduced to 3.00

Vestee Suits.

200 Fine Fancy Vestee Suits, Reduced Price 2.50

Reefer Suits.

Big Lot, in sizes 3, 4 and 5, were \$5 to \$7.50. Reduced to 3.95

Boys' Knee Pants.

Complete size range in Boys' All Wool Knee Pants at 50c

Children's Waists.

Spring patterns of Mother's Friend brand at 50c, 75c and \$1.00.

Star Waists, of Best French Percales, made in new Spring style. 95c

Mail Orders

Receive attention same day received. We prepay express charges on cash purchases when goods selected are not advertised at Reduced Prices.

Ed Kiam, Mammoth Clothier

KIAM'S KIAM'S

New Wall Papers.

Our new sample books for agents are now ready and we will be pleased to hear from any of our agents who would like them.

The new goods (while a little higher than last year) are very attractive and are proving fast sellers.

We will be pleased to hear from dealers who are in need of new goods.

We have many ways of assisting dealers who give us a share of their business, and we are always pleased to serve them.

JAS. BUTE, HOUSTON.

HERLIFE'S DEPARTMENT.

La Grange, Texas, February 18.—On the night of February 16 the store of Mr. Drisdall of West Point was robbed and the following described goods stolen: Three suits of clothing small in size, checked; two coats and vests, three or four shirts, colored; some plated jewelry, some chewing gum and many other small articles. The owner will pay \$50 reward for conviction of thieves. Send all communications to August Looslin, sheriff, Fayette county.